

Forces of the United States in operations outside the United States shall not be subject to disclosure under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), to amend section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act) to provide that statutory exemptions to the disclosure requirements of that Act shall specifically cite to the provision of that Act authorizing such exemptions, to ensure an open and deliberative process in Congress by providing for related legislative proposals to explicitly state such required citations.

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Murray (for Sanders) Modified Amendment No. 1454 (to Amendment No. 1373), to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit to Congress a report on reducing the travel time between locations in the United States and locations in Ontario and Quebec by intercity passenger rail.

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Murray (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 1466 (to Amendment No. 1373), to require a report from the Federal Emergency Management Agency relative to housing and the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act.

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Murray (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 1465 (to Amendment No. 1373), to authorize the temporary reemployment of administrative law judge annuitants for disputes relating to certain public assistance applications under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

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Murray (for Gregg) Amendment No. 1464 (to Amendment No. 1373), to protect the privacy of personal information provided by United States travelers who participated in the Registered Traveler program.

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Hatch Modified Amendment No. 1428 (to Amendment No. 1373), to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the religious workers and Conrad-30 visa programs, to protect orphans and widows with pending or approved visa petitions.

Pages S7288, S7292, S7305

By 55 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 225), Vitter Amendment No. 1467 (to Amendment No. 1458), to prevent funds from being used to prevent individuals from importing prescription drugs under certain circumstances.

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Murray (for Dodd) Amendment No. 1458 (to Amendment No. 1373), to provide additional funds for FIRE grants under section 33 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974.

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Coburn Amendment No. 1433 (to Amendment No. 1373), to prohibit the payment of bonuses to government contractors for poor performance.

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By 67 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 226), Murray Amendment No. 1468 (to Amendment No. 1373), to prohibit certain funds from being used for certain efforts.

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Grassley Amendment No. 1415 (to Amendment No. 1373), to authorize employers to voluntarily verify the immigration status of existing employees.

Pages S7288, S7309

Reid (for Byrd/Inouye) Amendment No. 1373, in the nature of a substitute.

Pages S7288–S7311

Rejected:

By 36 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 223), Kyl/McCain Amendment No. 1432 (to Amendment No. 1373), to strike the earmark for the City of Whitefish Emergency Operations Center.

Pages S7288, S7289–90

By 35 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 224), McCain Amendment No. 1378 (to Amendment No. 1373), to strike the appropriation for the Advanced Training Center.

Pages S7289, S7290–92, S7296–97

By 31 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 227), Coburn Amendment No. 1434 (to Amendment No. 1373), to prohibit no bid contracts be requiring the use of competitive procedures to award contracts and grants funded under this Act.

Pages S7308–09

By 32 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 228), Sanders Amendment No. 1430 (to Amendment No. 1373), to increase funding for firefighter assistance grants and recruitment and retention grants.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Byrd, Inouye, Leahy, Mikulski, Murray, Landrieu, Lautenberg, Tester, Specter, Voinovich, Cochran, Gregg, Shelby, Brownback, and Murkowski.

Pages S7311–12

Senator Coleman Tributes—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the tributes to Senator Coleman in the Congressional Record be printed as a Senate document and that Senators be permitted to submit statements for inclusion until Friday, August 7, 2009.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Christopher P. Bertram, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Philip D. Murphy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Francis S. Collins, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health.